

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RITTER C DOWD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION [ASO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1900 5TH AVENUE NORTH
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/03/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, President and CEO

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 43,500 | A | \$ 27.48 |
| Common Stock | | | | | 103,180.9163 | I | (1) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 300,000 | I | By GRAT |
| Common Stock | | | | | 19,333 | I | (2) By Spouse |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 27.48 | 04/03/2006 | | A | 371,300 | 04/02/2007 ⁽³⁾ 04/02/2016 | Common Stock 371,300 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RITTER C DOWD 1900 5TH AVENUE NORTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203 | X | | Chairman, President and CEO | |

Signatures

By: Michelle Bridges - Attorney
in Fact 04/04/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Between December 31, 2005 and March 31, 2006, the reporting person acquired 1,584.0315 shares of AmSouth Bancorporation's common stock held in the reporting person's account in the AmSouth Stock Fund of the AmSouth Thrift Plan.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on April 2, 2007.

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